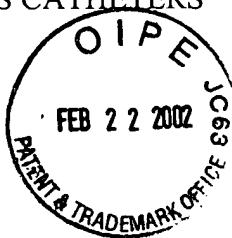


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Applicants note that pending patent application serial no. 09/501,778, which is assigned to the same assignee of the present application, shows and describes a dual-lumen catheter.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

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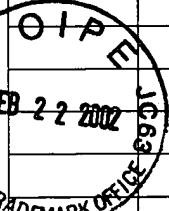
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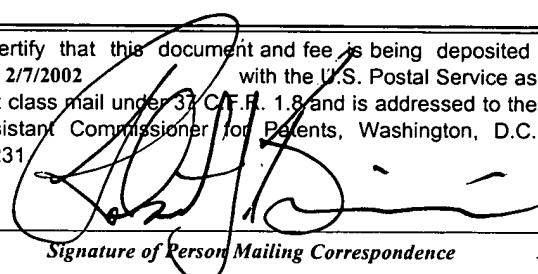

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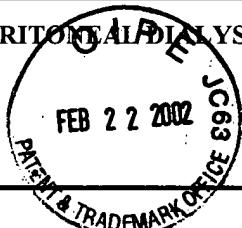
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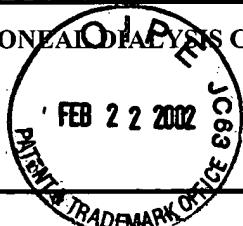
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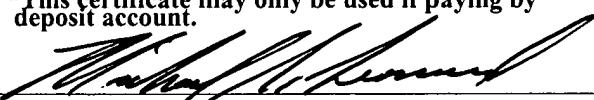
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